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House Resolution 1656

By: Representatives Beasley-Teague of the 65th, Brooks of the 63rd, Dukes of the 150th, Epps of the 128th, and Stanley-Turner of the 53rd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Remembering and honoring the life of Mrs. Nellie G. Butler; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, during her lifetime, Mrs. Nellie G. Butler touched countless lives with her
- 3 compassion, faith, and kind and loving spirit; and
- 4 WHEREAS, she was born on April 4, 1896, in Haymarket, Virginia, to Archie and Charlotte
- 5 Burke and attended school in Gainesville, Virginia, and in Washington, D.C.; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Mrs. Butler enjoyed many years of loving marriage to Asbury Butler, during
- 7 which the couple was blessed with ten children; and
- 8 WHEREAS, a vibrant and intelligent lady, she established a school in her mother's home
- 9 where she taught two of her sons and four of her cousins and was often engaged in hobbies
- 10 such as canning, sewing, and piecing quilts; and
- 11 WHEREAS, she worked as a cook at the Foxcroft School in Middleburg, Virginia, and as
- 12 a domestic in Fall Church and Arlington, Virginia, earning the respect of her employers with
- her skill and professionalism; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Mrs. Butler's Christian faith was at the very center of her life, beginning with
- 15 her baptism at age 11 at Rehoboth Baptist Church in Washington, D.C.; and
- 16 WHEREAS, she was one of the most respected and beloved members of Olive Branch
- 17 Baptist Church in Haymarket, Virginia, where she served as church clerk and Sunday School
- 18 superintendent; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Mrs. Butler passed away on March 26, 1995, leaving an inspiring legacy of
- 20 Christian devotion and virtue for generations to come.

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 $1\quad NOW, THEREFORE, BE\,IT\,RESOLVED\,BY\,THE\,HOUSE\,OF\,REPRESENTATIVES\,that$

- 2 the members of this body join to remember and honor the life of Mrs. Nellie G. Butler and
- 3 express their most heartfelt condolences to her family and friends.
- 4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mrs. Nellie
- 6 G. Butler.